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1. There is a total of 21 plants in sector I of the DDR whose production is primarily of a military nature. These plants are subordinate to the Amt für Wirtschaftsfragen (Office for Economic Questions) (AFW) through the Hauptabteilung Zusammenfassende Planung (Main Department for Comprehensive Planning) of the State Planning Commission; that is, in practice the State Planning Commission gives out special production plans to the plants at the direction of the AFW. These administrative measures are designed to disguise the true function of the AFW.
2. The following are the 21 plants in question:
  - a. Benzinwerk Köhlen, Köhlen/Leipzig - high octane gas for planes and rockets
  - b. Stahl- und Eisenwerk Frankleben - cast steel armatures for artillery
  - c. Edelstahlwerk Köhlen - rolled high-grade steel profiles for tanks and rapid-fire arms (schnell-schwerartillerie)
  - d. Getriebefabrik Weitzel, Leipzig - gears and elements of machines for motorized war vehicles (Kriegsfahrzeuge)
  - e. Waggonfabrik Gottfried Lindner, Arnsdorf near Halle - special vehicles for transporting tanks and other military transport equipment
  - f. Simon und Co., Suhl/Thuringia - Small arms and rapid-fire arms
  - g. Lagellagerfabrik Karl Reich, Zella-Mehlis/Thuringia - Rapid-fire arms and equipment parts for mortars and guns ✓
  - h. Keilpart & Co., Suhl/Thuringia - Brass instruments for tanks

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1. Sterspreewerl Hf. Berlin-Oberschönewalde -- Communications units
2. BGR Bitterfeld, Bitterfeld
3. Porzellanfabrik Wittenberg, Bitterfeld
4. Sprengstoffwerk Gnaschwitz/Saxony -- Powder and explosives
5. Sprengstoffwerk Schönebeck/Saxony-Anhalt -- Powder and dynamite
6. Sellier und Bellot, Schönebeck -- Rifles, pistols and machine-gun ammunition
7. Walzwerk Kirchmöser, Saxony-Anhalt -- Tank plates and bar steel for military purposes
8. Kupfer- und Blechwalzwerk Ilsenburg, Saxony-Anhalt -- Tank plates
9. Leichtmetallwerk Raschwitz, Leipzig -- Spare parts and new parts (Herstellungsteile) for aircraft
10. Stahlgusswerk Torgelow/Mecklenburg -- Individual parts and new parts for tanks and guns
11. Fortuna-Werk, Suhl/Thuringia -- Rifles and rapid-fire arms
12. Ernst Thälmann-Werk, Suhl/Thuringia -- Small arms
13. Dampfkesselbau Meerane/Saxony -- Boiler construction for fuel rockets

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COMMENT: The AfW is identical with the Büro für Wirtschaftsfragen (Office for Economic Questions) (BfW).

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